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SUBJECT: UAE NON-TAXATION OF INSTRUMENTS OF FOREIGN COMMERCE

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- 1. IN RESPONSE TO QUERY REFTEL, POSE HAS ASCERTAINED THAT NEITHER THE UAE NOR ANY OF ITS JURISDICTIONS IMPOSE TAXES ON INSTRUMENTS OF FOREIGN COMMERCE OF FOREIGN FLAG CARRIERS. UAE'S INDIVIDUAL SEVEN EMIRATES RETAIN CONSIDERABLE TAXING AUTHORITY, BUT NONE OF THEM TAX SUCH INSTRUMENTS.
- 2. INSTRUCMENTS OF FOREIGN CARRIERS, OF COURSE, ARE SUBJECT TO FEES FOR SERVICES RENDERED FOR HANDLING, PORT OF ENTRY CLEARANCE ECT. ADDITIONALLY, SHIPPING CONTAINERS ARE SOMETIMES REQUIRED TO POST BOND UPON ENTRY TO BE REFUNDED AT THEIR EXIT FROM THE COUNTRY. THIS CIRCUMSTANCE OCCURS WHEN LOCAL AUTHORITIES ARE UNFAMILIAR WITH OWNER OF INSTRUMENT AND LACK ASSURANCE THAT IT WILL BE REPATRIATED.
- 3. UAE GENERALLY HAS MINIMAL LEGAL STRUCTURE AND THERE ARE NO RPT NO PROVISIONS NOW IN PLACE FOR IMPOSING RETALIATORY TAXES IN EVENT UAE FLAG CARRIERS WOULD BE EAXED BY FOREIGN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ENTITY. HOWEVER, UAE LEADERSHIP IS QUITE CAPABLE OF ENACTING AD HOC LEGISLATION IN CASES WHERE IT PERCEIVES ITS INTERESTS ARE BEING DISCRIMINATED AGAINST. DICKMAN.

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